

WOMEN RUINED IN LAMAR FAILURE

Crowds of Them Who Speculated Through His Firm Gather at His Office To-Day as News of the Crash Is Announced.

MANY IN TEARS AS THEY LEARN OF LOSSES.

Consolidated Exchange Posted Notice of the Failure After a Receiver Had Been Applied For to Take Over His Affairs.

The announcement of the collapse of Alfred M. Lamar, who has been doing a rushing stock brokerage business through the medium of nearly a dozen branch offices, since he dissolved the old firm of Alfred M. Lamar and Company, at No. 60 Broadway, was followed to-day by exciting scenes about the elaborate offices occupied by Lamar just off the gallery of the Consolidated Stock Exchange.

At least eighty women with claims against Lamar thronged the offices and threatened to batter in the doors unless they were admitted and some satisfaction given them. So insistent were they that Lamar's clerks, mostly young women, opened the doors for fear some damage would be done, and the customers piled in. They were principally women. When they found that Lamar was not there and that Miss Sophie J. Schmidt, who has been a sort of a silent partner in the concern, was also missing, most of them dissolved in tears. Those that did not find fire in their eyes and it was a good thing for Lamar that he didn't come around.

Women Victims Weep.
As the news of Lamar's suspension spread more claimants appeared at his office. Four out of every five were women, and the noise of their sobbing disturbed business on the floor of the Exchange. There was no use trying to get the women to leave; they would not go away; so they were permitted to remain and talk it over. Some of them were utterly crushed by their misfortune. One woman said that Lamar held \$3,000 of her money, and any number had claims over \$1,000.

In addition to the offices on the gallery floor of the Consolidated Exchange Lamar had a large room on the fourth floor—the same building, which was known by the other brokers as the "Boiling Room." It got this name because there was almost always a crowding of weeping women there. Women who played the market all day long through Lamar used to sit there and laugh or cry as fortune favored them. Usually they cried. It is said that there were sometimes as many as fifty women in the room at a time, many of them old and gray haired.

Lamar had an office in Brooklyn and three branch offices in Manhattan. These were at No. 12 East Twenty-third street, No. 39 East Forty-second street and at One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street and Eighth avenue. All of these places were magnificently furnished. Lamar has been a member of the Consolidated Exchange since 1899 and during the Northern Pacific corner was generally believed to have made a great deal of money.

The first rumors of trouble came two weeks ago, when Lamar sold his stable of thoroughbreds, which had been racing under the name of the National Stables.

Can't Find Lamar.

Lamar could not be found to-day. He was not at his home, No. 32 West Sixty-sixth street, and at his office it was said that he had not been there since Friday. Even Miss Schmidt, who has practically run the business so far as the women customers were concerned, was not to be found. The women were especially anxious to find Miss Schmidt. They said that she handled their business and knew just where they stood with Lamar. She lives at No. 23 West Sixty-first street, and the rear of her house is directly opposite the rear of Lamar's house. A man named Britton, who said he was manager of the main office, tried to explain things to the women, but they would not listen to him. They said that everybody save Lamar and Miss Schmidt were dumb mice, and Britton finally retired in confusion.

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"Lamar's trouble is probably due to ventures in mining business in Alaska, and to trolley ventures in Ohio. He went into these Ohio trolley ventures some time ago, and I think he lost considerable money. I know that he lost money in Alaska gold mining. One hundred thousand dollars went into machinery alone and hasn't come out."

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DIVORCE DENIED TO DETECTIVE

Justice Blanchard Takes His Own View of Jury's Verdict and Decides Against Armstrong.

When the attorneys for Detective James M. Armstrong, of the Delancey street precinct, applied to Justice Blanchard, in the Supreme Court, Special Term, to-day, for a confirmation of the verdict of the jury in Justice Scott's trial term, convicting his wife of transferring her affections to Theodore J. Wootton, and granting a decree of divorce to him, Justice Blanchard refused.

Ralph Gillette in behalf of Mrs. Armstrong pointed out that while the jury had said she was guilty of living with Wootton in 1904 it had also declared in its verdict that away back in 1901 Armstrong had treated her cruelly and abandoned her, and shortly afterward he procured Wootton to compromise Mrs. Armstrong.

Armstrong's lawyer contended that what the detective did in 1901 had no bearing on his wife's acts in 1904, but Justice Blanchard said sternly: "In the absence of any evidence to the contrary, it will be assumed that when the husband by his connivance and procurement induced Wootton to attempt to gain his wife he thereby put in operation the acts of Wootton which finally ended in success."

"The argument that this husband may have been actuated by an honest intent is without force in this case. A divorce will be refused to James M. Armstrong, but his wife, Rozena Armstrong, may have a decree of separation."

Mrs. Armstrong is a tiny, little black-eyed Hungarian woman, and she still speaks with an accent. She said she was an acquaintance of Armstrong, then a "plain clothes man" in the Tenderloin precinct, and they were married, but that he abused and abandoned her. Her name was unpronounceable to Armstrong, and one day he won some money on a horse named Frieda and after that called her Frieda.

In 1901 Wootton took her to a cafe, she said, and piled up with drink, and later Armstrong sued for divorce. Wootton, she declared, confessed to her that he had been hired by Armstrong and the suit was dropped. Later on she took boarders, and Wootton was one of them, until one night last January Detective Armstrong led a party in a raid on her flat. Then he sued again. She retorted with a suit for a separation, and the jury found her guilty, but that the detective had conspired to entrap her in 1901.

By Justice Blanchard's decision to-day she wins and he must support her.

MAN FOUND DEAD IN CENTRAL PARK

He Was Well Dressed in Gray Clothing and Fifty Years Old—Bullet Wound in Head. Revolver at His Side.

The body of a well-dressed man was found in Central Park in the Ramble near Seventy-ninth street this afternoon. There was a bullet wound in his head, and in his hand was a pistol, from which one shot had been fired.

The man was fifty-five years old, had blue eyes, gray hair and was clean shaven. He wore a gray suit of clothes, a light overcoat and a white shirt.

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DEMANDS \$50,000 FOR WIFE'S DEATH

Demanding \$50,000 damages from the Interborough Rapid Transit Company, Bedford Pym Codrington's suit for the death of his young wife, Harriet Male Codrington, who did not live with him, but was the victim of a thrilling accident at the Eighteenth street station of the Sixth avenue L on Jan. 26, was brought to trial before Justice Barrett in the Supreme Court this afternoon. Mrs. Codrington was a trained nurse

when she became a wife. She was employed by Keeler & Tilton at No. 37 East Eighteenth street last winter. She was on her way home when, at 6:30 P. M., a car gate was shut against her as she essayed to board a train at the Eighteenth street station. She was thrown from the train, fell under it, and was dragged along the track some distance and was frightfully mangled to death in the view of crowds of people.

All during the recital of the ghastly details of the accident nine-year-old Clayton Codrington, the dead woman's child and her only heir-at-law and next of kin, to whom any award from the jury will go, sat on the lap of Miss Sophie L. Towns, the Brooklyn lawyer-poet, and Francis H. Boland conducted the trial for Mr. Codrington, and C. H. Taft, brother of the United States Secretary of War, appeared for the company.

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For Infants and Children
Bears The Signature Of *Chas. H. Fletcher* Over Thirty Years The Kind You Have Always Bought

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Bring the Children to See Our Holiday Window Display: EIGHTEEN MOVING TABLEAUX—SIXTEEN OF THEM ILLUSTRATING IMPORTANT EVENTS IN THE HISTORY OF AMERICA AND TWO PICTURING SANTA CLAUS AT HOME AND AT WORK.

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Washington's Farewell to His Mother.
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Paul Revere's Ride.
Molly Pitcher at the Battle of Monmouth.
Surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown.
Gen. Scott Entering Mexico.
Admiral Farragut at Mobile Bay.
Gen. Sherman at Kennesaw Mountain.
Gen. Sheridan's Ride.
Gens. Jackson and Lee.
Dewey at Manila Bay.
Roosevelt's Rough-Riders at San Juan.
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The Presentation of This Display Marks Macy's Holiday Opening. It Is the Beginning of the 1904 Holiday Campaign, for which We Have Assembled the Largest Stocks in Macy's History.

\$500,000 IN PRIZES

School children's competitive advertising contest No. 5137.



This sketch was made by Eugene Long, age 13, 64 Bloomfield Ave., Newark, N. J., 6 B. Grade, Franklin School, Newark.
We give a cash prize of \$5.00 for any drawing of this character which we accept and use.
All school children can compete. Full instructions will be found on inside of each package of Egg-O-See, telling what to do to get the prize and how to make the drawing.
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Contrast the delicious crispness of Egg-O-See with other flaked wheat foods. You can taste the difference. Egg-O-See is the most digestible, economical and healthful of foods. A large package such as usually retails for 15c, at ANY GROCERY STORE FOR 10c.

Ask Your Grocer for the Green Package.
If your grocer does not keep it, send us his name and to cents and we will send you a package, prepaid.
Address all communications to the EGG-O-SEE CO., 105-107 Hudson Street, New York City. A. C. MONAGLE & CO., Selling Agents.
These Prize Drawings Will Appear in the Evening World on Mondays.

H.O'Neil & Co

Women's Rich Velvet Suits, The Fashion Fad of The Season.

Women's Rich Velvet Suits are pre-eminently the Fashion Fad of the season. We have them in every color and style, from the Short Blouse to the new full length Redingote—all made of the best velvets. Prices start at \$22.50 and up to \$125.00.

We suggest two exceptional values:
Women's Velvet Suits—Novelty shapes, medium-length coats, lined with satin, pleated gored skirts—worth \$35.00; Tuesday..... \$24.50
Women's Long-Coat Velvet Suits—Handsomely trimmed with silk braids, vestee of cloth to match, pleated skirts (soft chiffon velvets)—worth \$50.00; Tuesday..... \$39.75
ALSO
Women's Cloth Suits—Very long coats, lined with satin, pleated skirts (the par excellence of fine tailoring)—worth \$35.00; Tuesday..... \$25.00
(Third Floor.)

Women's Dressy & Warm Coats

Underpriced for Tuesday's Selling.
Women's Broadtail Plush Coats—Medium length, lined with satin—rich, dressy and warm—worth \$16.00; Tuesday..... \$11.75
Women's Broadtail Beaver Coats—15 inches long (made of finest quality Broadtail Beaver Cloth), strappels, semi-fitted and lined with guaranteed satin—a very dressy coat, worth \$35.00; Tuesday..... \$25.00
(Third Floor.)

Note These Splendid Values in Women's Fur Garments.

Women's Blouse Coats—of Natural Squirrel (dark)—new models, worth \$60.00, at..... \$69.00
Women's Blouse Coats—of Sable Squirrel (Rice's London dye) a splendid model, worth \$100.00, at..... \$87.00
Women's Box Coats—of Sable and Natural Squirrel, 34 inches long, at \$97.50 and..... \$115.00
Women's Broadcloth Coats—(long) lined with Squirrel Collars of Sable Martin, black and colors—value \$40.00, at..... \$29.75
And everything you can ask for in NECK FURS and MUFFS.
(Third Floor.)

10,000 Pieces Imitation Shell Goods At Less Than 1-4 Actual Value.

Tuesday morning we will place on sale ten thousand pieces, including SIDE COMBS—HAIR RETAINERS—POMPADOUR and CHIGNON COMBS—in shell, amber and black, in a large variety of designs. They are all high grade and finely finished—special at..... 10c Each.
Worth from 18c to 50c

Sixth Avenue, 20th to 21st Street

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ONE DOLLAR A WEEK OPENS AN ACCOUNT

4 Rooms Completely Furnished at \$125
Golden Oak Chiffonier, \$15.00
Enamel Brass Bed, \$15.00
Golden Oak Dresser, \$7.50
Write for our New Booklet containing photographs, complete lists of our various Outfits.
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HOLBROOK'S SAUCE

10 S. & H. Green Trading Stamps given free at any depot of Sperry & Hutchinson in exchange for the label and wrapper from each 20c bottle of
The Only Imported Worcestershire.
HORACE DE LISSE, AGENT, 90-92 W. BROADWAY, N. Y.

BRASS BEDS.

Continuation Sale!
The great success of our last week's sale encourages us to offer for one week longer the following exceptional values:
\$32.50 Beds at..... \$25.00
\$45.00 Beds at..... \$32.50
SUPERIOR BEDDING
To match the beds. The comfortable and durable kind.
Moderate Price. High Quality.

SHEPPARD KNAPP & CO.
SIXTH AV., 13TH AND 14TH STS.

Always Remember the Full Name
Laxative Bromo Quinine
Cures a Cold in One Day, Cough in 3 Days
E. H. Brown on every box, 25c

WORLD WANTS WORK WOMEN
MONDAY MORNING WOND

Bloomington's

Start Your Christmas Planning Now—The store is one heaping treasure house of Christmas delights and yours to enjoy and profit by.

Everybody's Bustling About, Preparing for Thanksgiving---

Every one of us has a lot of things to think of and a lot of things to buy before Thanksgiving. First, there are the feasty things—the big plum pudding and the rest of the eatables, as well as the bottled-up joy that tops off the dinner with just the right sparkle. Then, we mustn't forget to look through the china closet—there's probably a dish or two or a piece of cut glass that's the only thing missing to make the china store complete.

And a thought about new linens for the table would not be amiss. No matter what you may need, you will find the Bloomington store superbly ready to serve you. Special sales of linens, "domestics," china and glassware, table liver, groceries and wines make shopping here this week of particular profit to you.

Some Splendid Values in Women's Smart Silk Waists.

Might treat yourself to a dainty, new silk waist to wear Thanksgiving Day. Here's just the waist for you—and the Bloomington Waist Store has marked them at specially interesting prices for to-morrow. Choose from the following or the splendid array of other sorts that are here:
Crepe de Chine Waists, \$5.98.
Beautifully made, of excellent silk Crepe de Chine, with tailor-stitched pleats and dainty French knots on front; finished with deep cuffs sleeves and dainty stock collar—all desirable shades, and white and black.
Taille-tail Silk Waists, \$3.98.
All new, smart styles, elaborately trimmed with French knots and effective shirrings—all the wanted colors in plenty.
Crepe de Chine and Messaline Waists, \$7.49, \$7.98, \$10.49, \$11.98.
Second Floor, 20th St. Section.

A Sale of Popular Tourist or Belt-Back Overcoats.

It's the smart coat this season—the loose belted back overcoat. You see them on all the good dressers. We just got a fine lot of them in the other day—and at a special price, to.
Men's and Youths' sizes—
Of mixtures, 32 to 42 chest measurements—worth \$12.
On Tuesday for..... \$8.75
Boys' and Children's—
Made same as men's coats—spoken of above—sizes 8 to 16 years—should be \$5 and \$6. On Tuesday..... \$3.95
Second Floor, 90th St. Section.

Items of Special Interest from the Pre-Holiday Book Sale

The famous Arcade Book Store at Bloomington's is holding a pre-holiday sale of books, in which the savings on every single volume average a full third and in many cases a half what other book stores are asking.

Every book that could possibly be wanted or thought of will be found in this all-inclusive collection. To accomplish your Christmas buying now means money saved on every purchase, to say nothing of the comfort derived from shopping before the throngs of later buyers begin selecting.

Standard Library—Cloth and gold—standard and popular books by such world-famous authors as Alexandre Dumas, Charles Dickens, Hall Caine, Hawthorne and many others—printed from large, clear type on fair paper—gold tops, bound in wine-colored cloth—published at 35c—per volume..... 18c

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